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POETRY.

BEAUTY IN THE GRAVE.

On seeing an ancient Picture of a beautiful Lady.

BY W. B. TAPPAN.

How fondly rang her ready praise
In her ancestral hall,
How beauteous at the revel, once
How graceful at the ball,
It matters not—the fair one now,
The idol of the brave,
The pageant of a former hour,
Is beauty in the grave.

How much admired for sparkling wit,
And prized for virtue true,
How by the many who esteemed,
Beloved by the few;
It matters not—like the same
To him, as in the slave,
The sordid worm holds banqueting
On beauty in the grave.

The well proportioned shape, the grace
Of woman's gently tread,
The speaking eye, the budding lip,
Of nature's dewy red—
The thousand witcheries, that still
Our warmest homage crave,
What are they in death's arms, and what
Is beauty in the grave?

Go ye to whom are faithless forms
And lovely features given,
To memento that still below
Is something left of Heaven—
Go! in humility forget
The charms ye cannot save;
Look hence a little hour and see
Your beauty in the grave.

And look upon the laughing earth,
Where spring in careless play
Puts forth her fairest blossoms, but
To deck them with decay;
And look upon the face of all
That's beautiful and brave,
On every blessing lent to man
Are traces of the grave.

Yet gaze on one from whom that trace
May never pass away,
Though he corruption never saw,
Nor in its realm could stay,
And see in the immortal scars
That mark the sinner's face,
The victory of Him who came
In beauty from the grave.

MEN OF TALENT.

'Why are men of talent so stupid?' is a question asked and answered by a witty French writer. Our readers would be puzzled to guess the cause assigned by him. *Scribe*, the celebrated writer of plays, is in company, says the French expounder, a peculiarly dull man, and one of his friends, M. Balzac, a man of great celebrity, a great writer of fashionable novels, great manufacturer of literary articles, great poet, is certainly the most stupid man I know, and yet his novels are the most read, the most philosophical, the most dramatic, the most affecting, in all the twelve *arrondissements* of Paris. Why is this?

He thus accounts for it in the report of a conversation with Balzac, who is in fact one of the most successful of the living writers of France.

One evening, sitting with him after dinner, I was in one of my happiest moods, by turns playful, sublime, grotesque, serious, naïf. My friend applauded me, and when in my excitement, after striving to move his genius, I exclaimed—'my dear friend, how stupid you are!' He set to laughing, and said, I am economising.

I was astounded.

He, unmoved, continued—'I economize—'for I am not, like you, a spendthrift. I have good reason to do it. My mind is my fortune. Why should I scatter it to the winds? No, I am not so weak. Such as you see me, I have a luxurious reputation. Paris, France, the world is curious about me. Every body knows that I have a florid complexion, an abdomen tolerably pronounced, and an iron head case which cost not less than a thousand crowns. And I tell you in confidence, the portion of the human race which I interest the most, is that portion called feminine.'

I made a movement of incredulity.

'Yes, my friend, I am sought for and courted by the women. Not a day but I receive a dozen glazed perfumed billets, embalmings Marchioness and Duchesses. The desire to see me, to listen to me, they appoint a rendezvous—which I never decline. All my mornings are devoted to these interviews.'

Happy dog, I exclaimed.

'These ladies delight in talking—let them. They talk and talk—how they enjoy it. I listen; some of them have talent, ideas—I profit by them, but I keep silent. Then when they have talked a long while, when they have poured out all they have in their heads and hearts, I very politely take my leave.'

What, without one of those pretty sentences which you turn so well? Oh! you certainly give them a word.

'Not a syllable. My words, my thoughts, my style, my genius, are merchandise too valuable to be disposed of thus gratis. With a word, I make a chapter, with a thought, a volume; and these chapters and volumes, Dupont and Gosselin buy from me; it is therefore to them that I carry every thing. As to the world, to my friends, my family, not a sou. I know how to calculate too well for that. Here I've been talking half an hour with you—it's a hundred francs lost.'

With that he rose with a discontented air, took his hat, and left me. I, struck with wonder at this magnificent theory, began to reflect if I could not put it in practice. I began by making an article out of the conversation of my illustrious friend, and then I made a resolution to be in future immeasurably stupid in company. To those who shall be astonished at it, I shall answer—'I am economizing.'

This recipe for book-making may perhaps be turned to account too by cis-atlantic writers.—*Baltimore American*.

From the N. Y. Spirit of the Times.

N. P. WILLIS AND HIS DETRACTORS.

It is a source of marvel and wonderment with some why it is that N. P. Willis should meet with so much contumely and abuse from American editors, and the thousand penny-a-liners that are daily scribbling for their bread in this country of newspapers. Why is it that he cannot give us a glowing and graphic description of a literary society, or the soirees of a distinguished lady, without being insulted with the charge of want of patriotism, or of drawing on his imagination for his facts? Why is it that he is not allowed to mention the dress and style of the London settlers of fashion, without being told, that he is only capable of judging of men by the tie of their cravats, or the set of their coats? Why is he accused of egotism for repeating conversations he may have held with distinguished authors? Why is he called "unmanly," because he writes of ton—fashion—manners—and society, as he finds them, rather than politics—diplomacy, and court intrigue, which he knows nothing of? Why are our editors so disposed to strip him of all merit—blacken his character—question his veracity, and pronounce him and his works tinsel, nothing but tinsel?

The cause of all this lies so near the surface, that we can lay it bare with a single word—*Envy*. Mr Willis, past all question, is the most elegant delineator of society and manners, and the most captivating traveller, that has ever left the new world to record his impressions of the old. He has the misfortune, (for so it seems) to be received as a gentleman and a man of genius, to be admitted into the very blaze of the most brilliant society in Europe, is honored with attentions from individuals of great literary distinction and of rank, supports his reputation for talent and energy as a writer, by splendid contributions to the leading London periodicals, has for three years been a constant writer for the main feature in the *Mirror*, and, more than all, is classed in England among the first poets and most promising authors of the age. These things, generous reader, have been the cause of engendering all the envy and bitterness and contumely which you may have seen teeming from the American press, and heaped upon the head of our young and talented countryman.

It seems to have been enough that Willis was fitted to enjoy and adorn the society of polished Europe—to have been capable of contributing to the entertainment of his countrymen, by an ample picture of the circles in which he moved—to have preferred introducing his readers to the persons—the manners—the habits—and the thoughts of living groups rather than copying road-books—setting down statistics, and measuring domes and monuments—to have given us descriptions of men and women—characteristics of individuals and national peculiarities—the elegance of horsemanship, and the beauty and perfection of English bloods—we say, in a word—it was enough that he has shown himself thoroughly a man of the world, a close observer of its customs, and possessed of a wonderfully happy faculty of catching and portraying the varying features of society, to bring down upon him the vituperations and malignant envy of his ruthless traducers.

With all our admiration, we are not blind to Mr W's short-comings and faults as a man and a writer; but we believe if the part of charity to overlook the waywardness of a young poet, partly spoiled by the flattery of his present detractors—and we know it should be a nation's pride to cherish and encourage and direct the genius of her sons—to lend them her smiles while toiling amid the seductions of society, for the distinctions of authorship, and against competitors of established fame and unquestioned capacity. And surely it is not worthy this young and generous nation, with its millions of readers and dozens of authors, to seize on the foibles of one of its youngest, most promising and enterprising writers, and task itself to scrutinize into every word and action a volatile child may have inadvertently uttered or committed. Let us rather cherish what promises so well—let us foster this native plant, during the spring of its early growth, that its summer blossoms and autumn fruit may reflect honor and glory on the land of its birth.

We intend, when leisure permits, referring again to this topic, and to the readers of *our* *own* *country*, have passed the extracts, we have from time to time spread before them, of Mr W's letters—some specimens of the spirit and style of those disingenuous attacks on his reputation as a writer—meanwhile, let his enemies "gnaw the file."

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the partnership of MASON & SWETT, was dissolved on the 27th inst. Said Swett is authorized to settle all debts due to and by the company.

JOHN R. MASON,
JOSEPH B. SWETT.

April 30—3t

EAST BOSTON COMPANY.—The Annual Meeting of the East Boston Company will be held at the Hotel in East Boston, on MONDAY, May 4th, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

AMOS BINNEY, Clerk.

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EDINBURGH REVIEW, NO. 122, FOR JANUARY.—CONTENTS: Art. 1, Life and Poems of the Rev. Geo. Colver, 2d, Antiquities de la Nubie—3d, The Collected Poems of the late N. T. Cunningham—4th, An account of the present state of the Island of Puerto Rico—5th, Statements as to the proceedings of the Committee for Classing the Mercantile Marine, by John Marshall Esq.—6th, Literary Compositions, selected from the Italian Poets with translations, by James Gifford Esq.—7th, Report of the First and Second Meetings of the British Association for the Advancement of Science at York, in 1831, and at Oxford in 1832, including its proceedings, Recommendations and Transactions—8th, Travels in Bokara, by Alexander Burns—9th, Speech of Henry, Lord Bishop of Exeter—10th, The Report from the Select Committee on Church Property—List of New Publications.

Terms, \$2.00 per copy, taken in connection with the London Quarterly, Foreign Quarterly and Westminster Reviews.

This day published at the Periodical Depot, 127 Washington street, up stairs.

B. E. HALE.

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MORAL REFORMER.—This day published by Moral Reformer, 1 Cornhill, the 5th number of the *Morning*.—The Hypo—Opinion of Dr. Rush—Hints to Females, No 2—Education of Boys—Anatomy of the Human Heart, No 2—Strong Beer Injuries—Education of the Eyes—Conscience of Conditions—Reform needed in Churches—A Compendium of Reform.

RECORD OF REFORM. Boston Union Temperance Society—Triumph of Principle—Female Temperance Meeting—Notable Examples—More Good News from Albany—Total Abstinence Societies—Hospitals—Ourselves and our Course—Notes of Books.

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SITUATION WANTED.—A young man twenty years of age, who has had four years experience in business, in a Retail Shop, situated in a business part of the city, and can give satisfactory reference, is desirous of obtaining a permanent situation in some wholesale establishment. Employment at present is more at object. Compensation. A line addressed to Box No 38 Post Office will meet with immediate attention.

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SITUATION WANTED.—By a young man (30 years of age) now in the country, as Agent or Superintendent of some manufacturing or any other incorporate establishment, where the emoluments of office will be adequate to the support of a small family. For capacity or any requisite qualification the best of reference can be produced. Apply to the Editor of the Post.

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BOOKS AND SHOES.—For sale, a good assortment of Books and Shoes, amounting to about one thousand dollars, in a Retail Shop, situated in a business part of the city—any one wishing to invest ten or twelve hundred dollars will do well, by addressing a line (through the Post Office, postage paid), to N. P. with final signature.

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CIDER.—50 hds superior Hartford Refined Cider for bottling, just received and for sale by SETH E. BENSON, 42 Commercial street.

Also, 100 bbls do do for bottling.

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HDD. STAVES.—4 M Red Oak HDD Staves, landing per Flor del Mar, for sale by F. E. WHITE, No 22 Long wharf.

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JOHN MCGUIRK, formerly Gardener to Chancellor Leveister's brother—any gentleman who may wish to patronize him in Boston or vicinity, as Jobbing Gardener, will please apply at the corner of Beach and Front streets—or at 14 Milk street.

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SCHOOL BOOKS.—For sale by JOHN MARSH, 77 Washington st, Joy's building, all kinds of School Books in general use, at the lowest prices.

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BALANCE MANUFACTORY.—Patent Balances and Scales made in the best manner, and warranted equal to any of the kind, manufactured for sale, wholesale or retail, on the most reasonable terms, at the manufactory, No 3 Fulton street, near Clinton street, Boston, by LYMAN LOCKE.

N. B. All Balances repaired at short notice, and warranted.

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METALLIC PENS.—A further supply of Metallic Pens, among which are Winkler's Patent Perfection, a new pattern and very superior, just received and for sale by JOHN MARSH, No 77 Washington street, Joy's building, at 20.

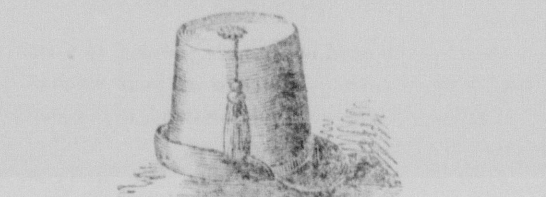
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WANTED.—Several men to work in families, butlers, boarders houses. A man to work in a factory. Also, several boys to learn trades of different kinds. Also, a boy to attend a dry good store. Also, several good girls as chambermaids and cooks—apply to No 14 Milk street.

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LATEST PARIS FASHIONS.



BAILEY respectfully invites his friends and customers to call at his store, No 15 Court st, and examine his LATEST PARIS FASHIONS, for GENTS, for gentlemen's and youth's wear. That the inferior of the same material the improved Satin Beaver Hats, which will retain their shape, wear much longer than any other Caps ever before offered for sale.

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TO THE PUBLIC.—It is surprising, that to the long advertisement procured, it is supposed, to be written and published by Mr Jesse Thompson, for the purpose of drawing public attention to himself and party, and of monopolizing the fruits of his discoveries in medicine to himself and them—it escaped his recollection to append a note, informing the community that I revoked his agency last November, for a breach of confidence and trust. The design thus to secure to himself and followers the sole benefits of my system of practice, is developed in the fact, that the leading idea throughout the whole of his long letter, is that the inferior of the same material the improved Satin Beaver Hats, which will retain their shape, wear much longer than any other Caps ever before offered for sale.

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FOR SALE OR CHARTER.

The staunch and fast sailing steamer **SUFFOLK** will be chartered for the coming season, or sold, if applied for soon. The *Suffolk* has first rate engines, a superior engine, and good boilers. Several improvements have been made in her during the past season, and it has been ascertained by actual experiment that her speed is not inferior to any other boat of her class in the vicinity. She can be fitted for sea with very little expense. Apply to **SOUTHARD & STEELE**, 23 Park-church-st.

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TO BE LET.—A large shop, in a central situation. Rent \$225 per year—apply to U. J. CLARK, 3 Brattle square.

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TO BE LET.—Three rooms at the north part of the city, to a small family without children, at \$98 per year—apply to U. J. CLARK, 3 Brattle square.

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TO LET.—A large and convenient House in Prince street, containing fifteen rooms, large yard, well, cistern &c, will be let on a lease of four years from the first of May. Inquire of M. S. KEYES, No 27 Union street.

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HOUSE FOR SALE.—For sale, a modern built three story dwelling house, in the western part of the city—has been built five years—containing kitchen, two parlors, two bedrooms, &c, well calculated for two families, and now rented for \$300 per year. Price \$4100—one quarter part to be cash—the balance may remain on mortgage if desired. Apply at No 37 Milk street.

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FOR SALE.—Two 3 story Brick Dwelling Houses, Nos 5 and 6 Sturges place, Pearl st. The above houses are nearly new, and contain sitting room, kitchen on the first floor—two parlors with marble chimney pieces, on the second floor, and five chambers—are well supplied with closets, and good pump and cistern water, under cover. Said houses are thoroughly built, and very convenient for one large or two small families. Apply to **DAVIS & MESERVE**, carpenters, Backstone st.

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DESIRABLE RESIDENCE FOR SALE.—For sale at Oysterville, Barnstable County, Mass., a beautiful residence, commanding a view of the shipping wharves, and the harbor. The house is situated on a Post Office—the Stage passes the house every day. The house is two stories high, 38 by 40 feet, painted and finished in the best manner, with barn shed and out-houses in complete order, with twenty-four acres of mowing and tillage land, with between two and three hundred fruit and Ornamental Trees—adjoining the land is a beautiful fish pond.

The above estate is every way calculated for a genteel residence—the garden is well filled with strawberries, gooseberries, currants, peaches, &c. The situation, on examination, will speak for itself, will be sold at a fair price and on liberal terms—apply to **J. A. SILLOWAY**, 26 Exchange st.

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BOSTON AND WORCESTER RAIL ROAD.—A special meeting of the members of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation will be held at the Exchange Coffee House in Boston, on MONDAY, the 4th day of May next, at 4 o'clock, P. M., to consider the expediency of increasing the capital stock of said corporation, by the creation of new shares of stock, with the necessary deposits and a Branch of said Rail Road to the town of Milbury.

By order of the Directors.
GEORGE MOREY, Clerk.

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NEW DRY GOODS STORE.—**DAVID W. JONES** would inform his friends and the public, that he has taken the old store, formerly occupied by Mr John Clark, No 333 Washington street, (six doors above the Lamb Tavern), which he has just opened, and offers for sale a general assortment of seasonable Dry Goods at the lowest prices for cash.

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CARD.—**L. L. HULBERT**, late from the establishment of Messrs. Staples & Nichols, respectfully solicits the attention of his customers and the public in want of genteel garments, to call at No 4 Rogers' buildings, Congress square, where he flatters himself, from his long experience in this business, he will be able to afford his patrons garments not inferior to any in this city.

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COACH FOR SALE.—For sale, a small genteel coach, built by a first rate workman, and is very light—it will be sold low—apply to **C. MINTINE**, 5 Exchange st.

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HIDES.—Just received per ship Tuscany 5 bales Green and 11 bales prime Patra. It does—30 bales prime quality Salt Petre. For sale by **HENSHAW**, 28 Commercial wharf, Granite stores.

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FOR SALE, by TAYLOR & GORE, No 1 Faneuil Hall Market, 100 lbs Bakers' Butter—50 lbs Pea Beans—40 casks New Milk Cheese.

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COTTON, TURPENTINE, TAR, &c.—30 bales Cotton—247 lbs Turpentine—31 do Tar—69 do Pitch—M. Hill Staves—cargo of sash Flor del Mar, from Murfreesboro' &c.

FERDINAND W. WILDER, 2d Long wharf.

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INDIA-RUBBER UMBRELLAS.—12 cases water proof India Rubber Umbrellas—just received and for sale at **KIEHL'S**, 67 Court st.

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A YOUNG MAN who can produce good recommendations, wants a situation as clerk in a counting room or store, or on a wharf, inquire at **WADSWORTH & BADGER**, corner of Cross and Fulton sts.

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WANTED.—12,000 dollars are wanted for a term of years at an interest of 5 per cent per annum, for which security will be given on real estate in double the amount, in the city of Hartford, Conn. Apply to **SETH E. BENSON**, 42 Commercial st.

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IRISH SEALING WAX.—Just received, a few lbs of real Irish Sealing Wax—a very superior article—said to be the best in use.

Also—a further supply of Transparent Waxes. English and French red, black and assorted Waxes of all qualities, for sale by **JOHN MARSH**, 77 Washington st, Joy's building.

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3000 LBS AFRICAN CAYENNE.—5000 do Bayberry Bark, Ground—2000 lbs Shinkers' Herbs—500 bottles Hot Drops—50 lbs Hot Powders—20 gross Lucifer Matches—15000 Fresh Fennel Leeches—for sale at **GEYER'S** Apothecary—219, 104 & 105 Hanover st.

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NOTICE.—Gentlemen in want of ready made Clothing will find it to their advantage to call at 10 & 12 Congress street, before purchasing, as every article manufactured for that establishment, is made in the most workmanlike manner, under the particular inspection of the subscribers.

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GRAVAT PADS.—Gentlemen in want of Neckerschief &c will find Rogers' improved elastic Russian bristled silk frame Stiffeners, just the thing—for sale by the quantity or single at **RODGERS'**, nearly opposite the Post Office, No 81 Washington street, Joy's building, No 6, up stairs.

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SUGAR BOX SHOOTS.—1100 Sugar Box Shoots—now almost—and for sale, can be landed at any wharf in the city, if applied for immediately—by **SETH E. BENSON**, 42 Commercial st.

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LIVES AND EXPLOITS of English Highwaymen, Pirates and Robbers—drawn from the earliest and most authenticated sources, and brought down to the present time; by C. Whitehead Esq. For sale by **MARSH, CATEN & LYON**, 133 Washington st.

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MOROCCO WORK.—For sale at **MARSH'S**, No 77 Washington street, (Joy's building) the largest assortment of Morocco Goods to be found in the city—among the variety are several splendid Port Folios, with and without locks. Also, Writing Cases, Bankers' Cases, Trunk Locks, &c.

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CASTLE SOAP, CANDLES, &c.—200 boxes of Castle Soap—250 do do Soda—150 do do Olive—1000 do No 1 and Shipping—500 do new Mould Candles—20 lbs Neat's Foot Oil. For sale by **E. A. & W. WINCHESTER**, No 15 South Market street.

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7 Pilaster Dove Marble Fire Places.
May be seen the day previous to sale.

